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**RE: Petition to Accept Unintentionally Delayed Payment of Maintenance Fee
in an Expired Patent**

Application Number: 09/825,105
Patent Number: 6,846,488
First Named Inventor: Michael W. RUSSELL
Invention Title: Chimeric antigen-enterotoxin mucosal immunogens

Dear Commissioner:

The applicants hereby petition the Office under 37 C.F.R. § 1.378(c) to accept the enclosed maintenance fee which was unintentionally delayed. Enclosed please find:

1. Cover Letter, including authorization to charge deposit account and certificate of Express Mail submission (3 pages)
2. Transmittal Sheet (1 page)
3. Form PTO/SB/66 "Petition to Accept Unintentionally Delayed Payment of Maintenance Fee in an Expired Patent" (3 pages)
4. Credit card payment (form PTO-2038) for the amount of \$2130.00 (\$490 maintenance fee and \$1640 surcharge under 37 C.F.R. § 1.20(i)(2)) (1 page)

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Please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned by telephone at 205-521-8545 or by facsimile at 205-488-6545 if further action is required.

Sincerely,

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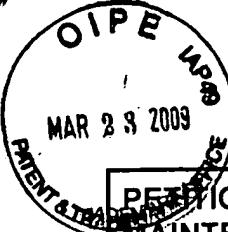
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**PETITION TO ACCEPT UNINTENTIONALLY DELAYED PAYMENT OF
MAINTENANCE FEE IN AN EXPIRED PATENT (37 CFR 1.378 (c))****RECEIVED**

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Patent No. 6,846,488Application Number 09/825,105Issue Date January 25, 2005Filing Date April 3, 2001

CAUTION: Maintenance fee (and surcharge, if any) payment must correctly identify: (1) the patent number (or reissue patent number, if a reissue) and (2) the application number of the actual U.S. application (or reissue application) leading to issuance of that patent to ensure the fee(s) is/are associated with the correct patent. 37 CFR 1.366(c) and (d).

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I hereby certify that this paper (*along with any paper referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being deposited with the United States Postal Service on the date shown below with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to Mail Stop Petition, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, or facsimile transmitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on the date shown below.

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This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.378(c). The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.11 and 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 1 hour to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Mail Stop Petition, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

1. SMALL ENTITY

Patentee claims, or has previously claimed, small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

2. LOSS OF ENTITLEMENT TO SMALL ENTITY STATUS

Patentee is no longer entitled to small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27(g)

3. MAINTENANCE FEE (37 CFR 1.20(e)-(g))

The appropriate maintenance fee must be submitted with this petition, unless it was paid earlier.

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| Amount | Fee | (Code) | Amount | Fee | (Code) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$ _____ | 3 ½ yr fee | (1551) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> \$ 490.00 | 3 ½ yr fee | (2551) |
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MAINTENANCE FEE BEING SUBMITTED \$ 490.00

4. SURCHARGE

The surcharge required by 37 CFR 1.20(i)(2) of \$ 1640.00 (Fee Code 1558) must be paid as a condition of accepting unintentionally delayed payment of a maintenance fee.

SURCHARGE FEE BEING SUBMITTED \$ 1640.00

5. MANNER OF PAYMENT

Enclosed is a check for the sum of \$ _____

Please charge Deposit Account No. _____ the sum of \$ _____

Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.

6. AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE ANY FEE DEFICIENCY

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any maintenance fee, surcharge or petition deficiency to Deposit Account No. 50-0954

7. OVERPAYMENT

As to any overpayment made please

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8. STATEMENT

The delay in payment of the maintenance fee to this patent was unintentional.

9. PETITIONER(S) REQUEST THAT THE DELAYED PAYMENT OF THE MAINTENANCE FEE BE ACCEPTED AND THE PATENT REINSTATED



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37 CFR 1.378(d) states: "Any petition under this section must be signed by an attorney or agent registered to practice before the Patent and Trademark Office, or by the patentee, the assignee, or other party in interest."

ENCLOSURES

 Maintenance Fee Payment Surcharge under 37 CFR 1.20(i)(2) (fee for filing the maintenance fee petition) Cover letter, transmittal sheet, form PTO-2038